

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES & PUBLIC NOTICES

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12/10/12 Commissioners Meeting Minutes:

The Board of Bear Lake County Commissioners met in regular session on December 10, 2012, beginning at 9:00 A.M. in the School District #33 Board Room in Paris, Idaho. Members present were Vaughn N. Rasmussen, Chairman, DeMar Romrell and Kerry Haddock, Clerk of the Board. Commissioner Montain Kunz was unable to attend as he was recovering from an operation.

Brent Bunn, Sheriff, Roger Jones, Prosecuting Attorney, Lynn Lewis, Assessor, Tricia Poulsen, Treasurer, Brad Jensen, Bill Stock and Alan Eborn also attended the meeting.

AGENDA APPROVED

Discussion of a Paul Nelson letter was added to the agenda. Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Rasmussen to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Treasurer Tricia Poulsen presented some tax cancellations and garbage refunds due to errors in assessment errors. Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Rasmussen to approve the cancellations and refunds. Motion carried. Assessor Lynn Lewis reported on an Idaho Taxpayer's Association meeting he had recently attended. Sheriff Bunn presented his monthly report. Average jail population for the month was 4 per day. He reported that an anticipated change in jail standards could increase our jail costs.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Commissioner Romrell reported that Troy Carlin was named grassman of the year in a NCRS meeting. Commissioner Rasmussen reported on a Southeast Health District meeting and a Gem Plan board meeting. There is still a lot of uncertainty regarding the effects of the implementation of the national health care plan.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT HEALTH UPDATE

Leslie Talbot and Tiffany Preston presented the monthly report of the County Health Department. They reported that the building upgrade was progressing well.

HOSPITAL BOARD MEMBERS

Rod Jacobson reported in a letter that the terms of two Hospital Board members were expiring. Both had expressed that they would be willing to serve another term. Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Rasmussen to appoint John Hurren and Lori Harrison to another term on the Board. Motion carried.

IDA MONT FARMS

The Commissioners discussed a letter from Paul Nelson stating that he did not want to be part of the proposed water district of Ida Mont Farms.

SAFE HAVEN CONTRACT

Clerk Haddock presented a proposed contract with Safe Haven Hospital for housing involuntary mental commitments. This facility is used when Portneuf Behavioral is full. Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Rasmussen to approve the contract. Motion carried.

ECC RESOLUTION 2012-10

The County considered a request of the Idaho Association of Counties to pass a resolution allowing them to represent the County in litigation by a phone service that had challenged the State statute allowing Counties to charge the E911 fee to wireless providers. Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Rasmussen to adopt Resolution 2012-10. Motion carried.

PUBLIC DEFENDERS CONTRACT

It was noted that the Interim Public Defenders contract would expire at the end of December. Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Rasmussen to extend the contract with Chris James until a permanent Public Defender was hired. Motion carried.

CELL PHONE CONTRACT

The Commissioners looked at two proposals for cell phones. The Syringa proposal was chosen over Verizon.

ROAD AND BRIDGE

Greg Skinner presented his monthly report. The crusher had been moved to Raymond. Mr. Skinner requested that we sell a used truck that would be expensive to fix and look for a newer used vehicle. The truck will be bid for the next Commissioners meeting.

MINUTES APPROVED

Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Rasmussen to approve the minutes of the November 13, 2012 regular meeting. Motion carried.

BILLS APPROVED

Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Rasmussen to approve the November bills. Motion carried.

SKID STEER BID

The Commissioners opened bids for a Skid Steer and snow blower for the Snowmobile Department. Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Rasmussen to accept the low bid of Valley Implement for \$49,276 for a New Holland Skid Steer and snow blower. Motion carried.

BUDGET HEARING

Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Rasmussen to open a public hearing as advertised to take public comments on year-end changes to the 2012 fiscal year budget due to the receipt of unscheduled revenues and necessary expenditures. Motion carried. Clerk Haddock explained the necessary adjustments to the budget. There were no public comments on the proposed changes. Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Rasmussen to close the public hearing.

BUDGET RESOLUTIONS

Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Rasmussen to adopt Resolutions 2012-7, 8 and 9 to adjust the 2012 budget. Motion carried.

BEAR LAKE TRIATHLON

Joe Coles presented information on a triathlon he wanted to hold in the valley on September 14 next year. The Event would start and end at Bear Lake State Park. The Commissioners expressed some concern for safety with contestants doubling back due to the narrowness of the road. They will consult with the Sheriff and consider next meeting.

LANDFILL ISSUES

Bruce Olenick, Department of Environment Quality, met with the Commissioners. He stated that he was pleased with the operation at the Landfill in the last few months. He presented an overview of the functions that DEQ performs with an emphasis on County governments.

EXTENSION UPDATE

Sharlene Woffinden presented an update on the Extension office activities. She noted that the office will be doing more adult oriented activities and education in the future.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Rasmussen to convene in an executive session per Idaho Code 67-2345(b and d) to discuss indigent cases and a personnel matter. Both Commissioners present voted yes in a roll call vote. Following the executive session Commissioner Romrell made a motion to deny Indigent cases 2012-27 and 2012-29, and to approve pre-existing condition insurance for 2012-28. Motion carried.

AMBULANCE BID

Bids were opened for a surplus ambulance that the County had advertised for sale. Commissioner Romrell made a motion seconded by Commissioner Rasmussen to accept the only bid received from Agrium for \$6,851.50. Motion carried.

CORONER

Lee Nelson, Coroner, met with the Commissioners. The Commissioners granted his requested permission to appoint Chad Walker as Deputy Coroner.

PURCHASING POLICY

The Commissioners discussed the merits of lowering the threshold for getting Commissioner's approval for purchases.

Meeting adjourned subject to recall by the chairman or his order.

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9:00 A.M. PUBLIC HEALTH QUARTERLY REPORT - LESLIE TALBOT AND TIFFANY PRESTON

9:15 A.M. ELECTED OFFICIALS MEETING/APPROVAL OF MINUTES

9:30 A.M. COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

9:45 A.M. HOSPITAL BOARD MEMBERS

10:00 A.M. JOE COLES - BL TRIATHALON - SPECIAL EVENTS

10:30 A.M. SKID STEER BID

10:45 A.M. 2012 BUDGET INCREASE HEARING

11:00 A.M. BRUCE OLENICK - DEQ - SEMIANNUAL UPDATE

11:15 A.M. SHARLENE WOFFINDEN - END OF YEAR REPORT - EXTENSION OFFICE

11:30 A.M. PUBLIC COMMENTS

11:45 A.M. EXECUTIVE SESSION - Medical Assistance Claims/Personnel Issues

LUNCH

1:00 P.M. AMBULANCE BID OPENING

1:15 P.M. LEE NELSEN - CORONER

1:30 P.M. FAIR BOARD

1:45 P.M. PURCHASING POLICY

2:00 P.M.

2:15 P.M.

2:30 P.M.

2:45 P.M.

3:00 P.M.

3:15 P.M.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Road & Bridge Issues/Solid Waste Issues

NEW BUSINESS

Approve November's Bills/Minutes

Road & Bridge/Solid Waste Issues

Cell Phone Contract

Public Defender Contract

911 Resolution

Safe Haven Contract

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